## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE NEW ENGLAND MDL No. 02419

COMPOUNDING PHARMACY, INC. **Docket No. 1:13-md-2419-RWZ** 

PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MOTION OF DEFENDANT, TIM I. This document relates to:

CHOWDHURY, M.D., FOR

: LEAVE TO FILE A REPLY IN Gilliam v. Chowdhury, M.D., et al. SUPPORT OF HIS MOTION TO

**DISMISS** 

No. 1:15-cv-11367-RWZ

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(b)(3), Defendant, Tim I. Chowdhury, M.D., hereby moves this Court for leave to file a reply in support of his motion to dismiss [Case No. 1:15-cv-11367-RWZ, Dkt. 12] and in response to Plaintiff's memorandum in opposition [Case No. 1:15-cv-11367-RWZ, Dkt. 14].

Leave is necessary to allow Dr. Chowdhury to address Plaintiff's contentions pertaining to Ohio's affidavit of merit requirement. While Plaintiff maintains said requirement does not apply to this lawsuit, applicable law dictates otherwise. Given the importance of the affidavit of merit issue to this lawsuit and other lawsuits similarly situated, it is imperative that Dr. Chowdhury have the opportunity to fully brief the issue for this Court. Accordingly, a proposed reply is attached to this motion for leave.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on June 23, 2015, the foregoing was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system.

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